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March 25, 2008

Hearing Docket Federal Aviation Administration 800 Independence Avenue SW Washington, DC 20591

Attn: Hearing Docket Clerk, AGC-430 Wilbur Wright Building, Suite 2W1000

> Re: In the Matter of New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc., d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech

Case No. 2007WP070063 CP08WP0007 FAD 2008-0381

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of a request for a hearing and the original and one copy of the Complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.

The FAA requests that the hearing in this matter be held in Phoenix, Arizona, and expects that the hearing will last one day.

Please address all communications for the FAA to Mark G. Camacho, Federal Aviation Administration, Central Region, ACE-7, Room 506, DOT Building, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106-2641.

Sincerely,

John W. Escott Regional Counsel

Mark G. Camacho

Attorney

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Timothy M. Amalong Timothy I. McCulloch, Esq.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

In the Matter of:

Served: March 25, 2008

FAA Docket No.

FAA Case No. 2007WP07063

Judge Not Assigned

New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc. d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech

COMPLAINT

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), by counsel, hereby files its Complaint, pursuant to Rule 208 of the Rules of Practice (14 C.F.R. 13.208), and states as follows:

I.

1. On November 15, 2007, Respondent New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc. d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech was advised through a Notice of Proposed Civil Penalty that the FAA proposed to assess a civil penalty in the amount of \$33,000. On March 18, 2008, Respondent submitted a written request for a hearing.

II.

- 1. New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc., d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech is, and at all times mentioned herein was the holder of Pilot School Certificate No. X26S789K, with private pilot course, commercial pilot course, instrument rating course, flight instructor course and flight instrument course ratings.
- 2. At all times relevant herein, Civil Registration No. N80817, a Cessna model 172M aircraft, and Civil Registration No. N404SW, a Cessna model 172I aircraft, were operated by New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc., d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech.
- 3. Between May 21, 2007, and May 31, 2007, N80817 and N404SW were operated on eleven (11) flights by New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc.
- 4. On May 21, 2007, N80817 was unairworthy in that the barrier between the cargo compartment and inside the tail section of aircraft was not in place.
- 5. On May 21, 2007, N404SW was also unairworthy in that the cargo compartment aft barrier between the cargo compartment and inside the tail section of the aircraft was not secure to the aircraft.

6. Subsequent to May 21, 2007, maintenance was performed on N80817 and N404SW in that

speed tape was used to repair the damage listed above in paragraphs 4 and 5.

7. Using speed tape in the performance of maintenance is not an approved method, technique.

and practice prescribed in the current manufacturer's maintenance manual or Instructions for Continued

Airworthiness prepared by its manufacturer, or other method, technique, and practice acceptable to the

Administrator.

8. Therefore, the damage referenced in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, and subsequent speed tape

repairs performed on N80817 and N404SW rendered both aircraft unairworthy.

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1. By reason of the foregoing facts and circumstances, Respondent violated Section 91.7(a),

which states no person may operate a civil aircraft unless it is in an airworthy condition.

2. Pursuant to Title 49 U.S.C. 46301(a)(5)(A), Respondent is subject to a civil penalty not to

exceed \$11,000 for each of the violations alleged.

3. Under the facts and circumstances of this case, a civil penalty of \$33,000 is appropriate.

WHEREFORE, the Agency, by counsel, respectfully requests that the Administrative Law Judge

enter an order that Respondent be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$33,000.

Dated this 25th day of March, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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Answer

Section 13.209(a) of the Rules of Practice in FAA Civil Penalty Proceedings states, "A respondent shall file a written answer to the complaint, or may file a written motion pursuant to Section 13.208(d) or Section 13.218(f)(1-4) instead of filing an answer, not later than 30 days after service of the complaint.

Section 13.209(f) states, "A person's failure to file an answer without good cause shall be deemed an admission of the truth of each allegation contained in the complaint.

New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc. d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech, FAA Case No. 2007WP07063

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date placed in the United States mail, certified, return receipt requested, a copy of the Administrator's Complaint, addressed to:

Mr. Timothy M. Amalong, President New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc. d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech 6971 S. Apron Drive Tucscon, AZ 85706

Timothy I. McCulloch, Esq. Baird Williams & Greer, LLP 6225 N. 24th Street, Suite 125 Phoenix, AZ 85016

In addition, I hereby certify that I have this date placed in the United States mail, certified, return receipt requested, the original and one copy, addressed to:

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Dated this 25th day of March, 2008.



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March 18, 2008

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

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Re:

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Gentleperson:

This law firm represents New Mexico Flying Eagle, Inc., d/b/a Arizona Aero-Tech. We ask that all correspondence be sent to this office. This letter shall serve as the request for hearing in the matter of 2007WP070063 as required by 14 C.F.R. §13.6(h). The final notice of proposed civil penalty was received on March 17, 2008, and a copy is enclosed herein.

Very truly yours,
Timothy McCulloch

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cc:

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